

GEORGE DILLEN'S CONFESSION ADMITTED BY COURT

Gabriel Narutowicz, Ruler of Poland, is Foully Murdered

TRIAL DILLENS NOW DRAWING TO ITS CONCLUSION

State Completes Introduction of Evidence by Offering Alleged Confession

EVIDENCE IS MOST DAMAGING

Defense Has Number of Witnesses but Case Will End Probably Tuesday

Sensational and damaging evidence against George Dillen, accused jointly with his wife, Lena Dillen, was introduced this morning at their trial in the district court before Judge Mark R. Averill. Following exhaustive arguments as to the admissibility of an alleged confession made by George Dillen to District Attorney Frank Dunn in the presence of Deputy Sheriff C. M. Van Vleet, the testimony would be admissible.

At the session yesterday afternoon the bomb was exploded, shattering the alleged confession made by George Dillen to the district attorney. The confession was made by George Dillen to the district attorney, charged with the murder of Wallace Williams on August 23, at Frazier well. District Attorney Dunn, in a half hour argument, cited numerous confessions without threats of any kind, promises of immunity or reward, was admissible under the laws of the state of Nevada. Judge Averill overruled the objections of Attorney Murphy and stated that the confession was admissible, whereupon C. M. Van Vleet, deputy sheriff of Nevada county for the last two years was called to the witness stand, and testified as follows:

"I am acquainted with both Lena and George Dillen, the defendants. Have held conversations with both. The first conversation with them occurred after they arrived from Bakersfield. Had conversation with them nearly every day. Had conversation with them on the 20th of October. George Dillen was in the second tier of the county jail. This day Dillen asked me what the public sentiment was to this thing. I told him the public did not know much about the case. He wanted to know if I knew if his wife had been intimate with Jim Rios or Wallace Williams. He said if she had he was willing to take anything coming to him. I told him I did not know. He wanted

to talk to some one and get the facts in the case. I told him to tell the truth and get the facts. He said that was right. I told him anything he said to me would be used against him. He replied that he knew that. He asked about Sheriff Thomas and District Attorney Dunn, and if they were on the square. I replied that they were. I advised him to see Thomas and have a talk with him. He said all right. Thomas was out of town that night and Dillen later talked to the sheriff. Thomas told defendant it was the sheriff's place to get facts and that as far as he was concerned he would have a fair trial.

Thomas advised Dillen to see the district attorney. Next day, between 9 and 10 o'clock I took Dillen to Dunn's office. On entering I introduced the defendant to Dunn. Dunn asked about treatment and the jail treatment and their trip from California to Tonopah. Dunn then asked if Mrs. Dillen had anything to do with the case and George Dillen answered nothing and had only heard Jim Rios and him talk about it before it was committed. Sheriff Thomas came in the office at the time and he and Dunn talked about politics. Thomas left in a few minutes. Thomas heard none of the confession. On resuming his confession, George Dillen said that Rios and him talked the matter over two or three days before the big fire. The fire came up and they decided that it would be the right time to kill Wallace Williams. That afternoon they took the larger gun and hid it. Rios took the bullets out of the little gun and removed the powder and put the bullets back. Later they saw Williams and told him to go out to the still. Williams took the little gun with him driving the Ford car out to the still. Rios was to do the job. That evening Rios and defendant started to walk out to the Frazier well where the still was located. When they were beyond the Midway shaft a short distance Rios gave the defendant the big gun and said: 'This is your job,' and returned to town. Dillen then went on out to the cabin and found Williams sitting in a chair. He entered and pulled his gun and sat down opposite Williams at the table. He saw the little gun in Williams' belt. Also saw cartridges on the table. He then thought that Williams had got wise to the blank ones and had reloaded with good cartridges. He told Williams that he had been intimate with his, Dillen's wife, and that his 'time' had come and he was going to put him away. Williams said there was no truth in the statement. Williams had a pipe in his mouth. He made a move with his hand and I gave it to him. House Dillen looked in the window of the cabin.

said Dillen. Before entering the cabin I came back to town, continued Dillen, and next morning Rios and I went out to the cabin and wrapped the body in a quilt with wires around the quilt and buried it. A few days after wards Rios and I examined the body and reburied it, but it was not deep enough. Rios was always telling me that Williams was intimate with my wife, and that Williams was telling him that Rios was also intimate with my wife.

"When I took defendant to Dunn's office, Dunn and myself and Dillen were the only ones present. Thomas came in later but heard none of the confession made by George Dillen.

Frank T. Dunn, the district attorney, next took the stand and testified as follows for the state: "Late on the evening of October 22 Sheriff Thomas called me to his office. Had just returned from a campaign trip and was tired, but told him I would be down the next morning which

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HEAVY EARNING REPORTED FROM GREAT DIVIDE

Realization for Month of November Was In Excess of Twenty-one Thousand

MINE IS PROVING A WONDER

Outlook Promising for Production Being Augmented During the Coming Year

The Tonopah Divide Mining company continues its aggressive campaign of development without interruption. During the month of November there was mined a total of 3575 tons of ore having an average value of \$2250 per ton. The net realization after deducting operating expenses amounted to \$21,634.96.

During the seven-day period ending Wednesday, Dec. 13, there was produced 1455 feet of development, as follows: Drift 202A was advanced 22 1/2 feet; 207 intermediate west drift was advanced eight feet; 211A intermediate south crosscut was advanced 128 feet; 1201 drift was advanced 48 1/2 feet; 427 north crosscut was advanced 88 feet; 427 south crosscut was advanced 9 1/2 feet; 429 north crosscut was advanced two feet; 429 south crosscut was advanced 160 feet; 1204 north crosscut was advanced 5 1/2 feet; 1205 south crosscut was advanced 4 1/2 feet; 501 raise was carried 22 1/2 feet.

On October 21, upon arriving at my office shortly afterwards Deputy Sheriff Van Vleet entered the building and introduced defendant George Dillen to me. We talked about the trip to California and the board and treatment he was receiving in jail. Sheriff Thomas entered about that time and asked me about the Ash Meadow fence feud that was existing there. He said that neither of us would get any votes there on account of this trouble. Dillen then began talking, saying: "Only one thing is bothering me. If I knew she was true or not it would make no difference. Rios and I had talked this over three or four days. The wife and I went to dinner."

The testimony of Mr. Dunn from this point was almost identical with that of Deputy Sheriff Van Vleet, telling where Williams took the little gun and went out to the still, and to which Rios later in the evening. The shooting and the burial of the body and Williams started to walk to was told to the jury in the same manner in which Mr. Van Vleet had explained the alleged confession of Dillen. Dillen told witness that when setting at the Williams three times, once over table he shot Williams three times once over the eye and once on each side of the nose. When Mr. Dunn asked Dillen about the watch and was shown the same he said he was ignorant of any knowledge of it. Defendant then said he had three defenses, "self defense," "unwritten law," Williams breaking up his home, and he had a right to kill him. He asked witness to find out if my wife was true.

"He asked me," continued the witness, "if we had Zampati, and I replied yes, and he said to turn him loose as he was innocent and knew nothing about it. Witness stated that Dillen told him the reason he killed Williams was because he thought he had been intimate with his wife, but he did not know whether he had been or not.

Here the state rested its case. Attorney Murphy for the defense thereupon asked that the

FRANCE IS WILLING TO HEAR FROM AMERICA

PARIS, Dec. 16.—The French government would examine carefully and appreciatively any proposals made by the American government which might prove helpful in obtaining reparations from Germany, and it was said in connection with reports from Washington such proposals are being considered.

EXTENSION IS SENDING OUT A LARGE TONNAGE

Earning is Being Gradually Increased and Record Output Is Anticipated

NEW STATION IS BEING CUT

Sinking Will Be Resumed at Victor Shaft Within a Very Short Period

Work of cutting a station on the 2000 level of the Tonopah Extension mine is progressing in a satisfactory manner and will probably be completed within a few days. At that time sinking will be again started with the idea of going to the 2150 point.

Operations are progressing along all lines and the heavy tonnage of ore is being mined and consigned to the big milling plant. Official report of operations for the seven-day period ending Saturday, Dec. 16, follows:

McKane Shaft
1200 level—West drift 1203 was advanced 24 feet in Extension breccia. Crosscut 1204 was advanced 34 feet.

Victor Shaft
1680 level—Stopping on Murray vein.

1700 level—Crosscut 1701 advanced 24 feet in low grade ore. Crosscut 1720 was advanced 21 feet in West End rhyolite.

1800 level—West drift 1803 was advanced 26 feet on six feet of ore. West drift 1811 was advanced 14 feet on eight feet of ore. East drift 1811 was advanced 10 feet on five feet of ore. Raise 1817 was advanced (five feet on six feet of ore. Raise 1819 was advanced 17 feet on five feet of ore. Winze 1806 was sunk 18 feet on four feet of ore. Stopping on Murray and Anchor veins.

2000 level—Cutting station. Development for the week, 210 feet.

KANSAS BARS KU KLUX KLAN STATES ALLEN

Will Not Permit Order to Do and Business in State by Refusal of Incorporation

WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, W. Va., Dec. 16.—Kansas will not drive the Ku Klux Klan from the state by force but will expel it by refusing to permit it to do business within the state's boundaries. Governor Allen declared in an address prepared for delivery today before the governors' conference.

The writ being sought in the Kansas supreme court, he said would make disappear the blazing cross and pasture parties where men mask themselves and put on a fantastic ceremony in an open field and terrorize the entire neighborhood.

ENFORCEMENT OF PROHIBITION IS DRAWING NEAR

Wright Measure Will Become Effective Within Next Five Days, Says Report

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 16.—The Wright prohibition enforcement act and several other measures approved at the November election become effective five days from today, in view of their certification today by Secretary of State Jordan, who made public the official vote. Thirteen measures out of 30 were approved by the absent voters law believed to have been defeated, were approved and the land settlement bond act, believed carried, was defeated. The total vote cast was 1,000,007, the largest in history.

NEW CALIFORNIA DEVELOPMENT IS MOST PLEASING

Operations Being Confined to Five and Three Hundred Foot Levels

Operations at the New California for the week ending Dec. 16 were confined to the 500-foot level, the 300-foot level and to surface improvements and installations.

On the 500-foot level a raise was started on a stringer 14 inches wide assaying \$52 per ton.

On the 300-foot level a small stringer of \$200 ore is being stripped and sacked.

A new blacksmith shop and office are being fitted up and will be completed the coming week. The change room is being painted and renovated.

Water will be piped underground to all the principal buildings.

WOMAN IS HELD BY SOVIETS ON FLIMSY CHARGE

LONDON, Dec. 16.—A Reuter dispatch from Chita, reporting the arrest of Mrs. Margaret E. Harrison of Baltimore, American newspaper writer, says she is being taken to Moscow under escort. Charges against Mrs. Harrison who was released from a Moscow prison over a year ago, are not specified. Her arrest at Chita, the dispatch says was on orders of the soviet government.

PREMIER POINCARÉ IS WILLING TO RESIGN

PARIS, Dec. 16.—Premier Poincaré, after sketching briefly and optimistically the progress of reparations and the Turkish peace negotiations, told the chamber of deputies he was now ready to withdraw gracefully if the chamber thought it had ready another cabinet better qualified than his to work for France.

LEGISLATOR DIES

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 16.—State Senator E. S. Rigdon of San Luis Obispo county, died in a hospital here last night. Death was unexpected. He collapsed in a hotel. He had been a legislator since 1915.

LODGE CONTEST IS TRANSFERRED TO U. S. SENATE

Proceedings Were Started in Massachusetts Where Senator Resides

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—Proceedings begin in Massachusetts challenging the re-election of Senator Lodge, republican leader, were transferred to the senate today. A protest and a challenge against the election of Lodge was received by Vice President Coolidge from Conrad W. Crocker, attorney for John A. Nichols, defeated prohibition candidate and representative of the liberal republican league of Massachusetts. Flagrant irregularities in the November election were charged.

Crocker's petition declared Lodge was a minority winner and had been repudiated. He asked for an immediate hearing. The papers are to be referred to the senate privileges and election committee of which Senator Dillingham of Vermont is chairman. It is not customary for the committee or senate to take action on election contests until the convening of the new congress, which they affect and leaders indicated that despite the request for immediate action Crocker proceedings would be dormant until March 4.

TONOPAH VICTORIOUS IN BASKETBALL GAME

The Tonopah high school basketball team defeated the players at Goldfield last night on the latter's ground by the score of 31 to 20. It was Tonopah all the way, although the gold diggers recovered for a few moments in the second half, rolling up 7 to 0 in their favor. The Tonopah players quickly rallied and shot four baskets, making the count 8 to 7. In the first half the Tonopah boys swept the Goldfielders of their feet, the score standing 13 to 10 at the close of the inning. The line up of Tonopah was as follows: Harry Humphrey and Lee David, forwards; Roy McQuillan, center; Albert Wenzel and John Starr, guards.

EARLY DAY PIONEER DIES IN COAST CITY

J. J. Corcoran, a pioneer of early days of Tonopah, died yesterday afternoon at 5:15 in San Francisco, according to a message received by H. A. Fink, a life long friend of deceased. Mr. Corcoran left here about ten years ago, after a residence of a long period here, and was a former partner of George Wingfield. Death was due to asthma, from which he had been a sufferer for a long time. Mr. Corcoran will be kindly remembered by many of the older residents. He is survived by a widow, Gertrude M. Corcoran, a niece of Jack Hennessey, who will be remembered by many Tonopahans. Mr. Fink will leave Tonopah for San Francisco tomorrow morning to be present at the funeral of his late friend.

BLAIR JUNCTION HAS BRAND NEW POSTMASTER

M. M. Holland, president of the Brown Bee Mining company, controlling property near Blair Junction, and who was appointed postmaster of that place on Nov. 11, is a visitor to Tonopah. Mr. Holland received his commission in a couple of days ago and expects to reopen the office tomorrow morning. The office has been closed for the last two months.

PRESIDENT OF POLAND KILLED BY ASSASSIN

Was Killed While Visiting Famous Art Exhibition at the City of Warsaw

BATTLE RAGING FOR A WEEK

Took Over Executive Authority Only Two Days Ago and Fighting Continued

WARSAW, Dec. 16.—Gabriel Narutowicz, first president of Poland, was assassinated today while visiting an art exhibition. There has been continuous disorders ever since President Narutowicz was elected by the national assembly a week ago today. There was a tumultuous clamor growing out of his unexpected choice to succeed General Pilsudski and a battle between rival factions and the police resulted in four deaths and the injury of more than 100 persons. Narutowicz took over the executive authority only two days ago. The Nationalists declared he represented the non-Polish and radical elements.

KELLER REFUSES AGAIN TO APPEAR BEFORE HOUSE

Proceedings Against Daughterty Seem to Have Fallen Completely

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—Representative Keller again today failed to appear before the house investigating committee which is hearing impeachment charges against Attorney General Daughterty.

Keller's counsel, Jackson H. Ralston, announced he had advised his client that he had exceeded his authority and he was not required to appear in response to the committee summons.

Chairman Volstead said the subpoena served on Keller had been signed by the speaker of the house and in ordering the appearance of the Minnesota representative the committee had acted for the house. He added the committee could not report Keller back to the house for contempt.

Butler Theater Today

Jack London's wonderful romance of the great northwest "THE SON OF THE WOLF"

A roaring melodrama of the frozen Yukon, depicting life in the raw, beyond the last frontiers of civilization, where night makes right; and "THE STORK'S MISTAKE"

a two reel comedy Tomorrow, Viola Dana in "THE FIVE DOLLAR BABY"

and "THE ADVENTURES OF ROBINSON CRUSOE"

THE WEATHER	
Local observer United	
States weather bureau:	
Temperatures 5 a.m. Noon	
Current	34 38
Wet bulb	33 36
Relative humidity	90 90
Temperatures, Extreme	
1922 1921	
Maximum yesterday	38 50
Minimum yesterday	32 35